

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

EDWARD CHARLES HVOLBOLL,

Defendant.

Case No.: 2:24-CR-0131-TOR-1

PROTECTIVE ORDER

BEFORE THE COURT is the Unopposed Motion for Protective Order. ECF No. 19. For good cause, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

1. The United States' Unopposed Motion for Protective Order Regulating Disclosure of Discovery and Sensitive Information, ECF No. 19, is **GRANTED**.

2. The United States is authorized to disclose the discovery including sensitive information and materials (hereinafter "Discovery") in its possession pursuant to the discovery obligations imposed by this Court.

3. Government personnel and counsel for Edward Charles Hvolboll ("Defendant"), shall not provide, or make available, the sensitive information in the Discovery to any person except as specified in the Order or by approval from this Protective Order - 1

1 Court. Counsel for Defendant and the Government shall restrict access to the  
2 Discovery, and shall only disclose the sensitive information in the Discovery to their  
3 client, office staff, investigators, independent paralegals, necessary third-party  
4 vendors, consultants, and/or anticipated fact or expert witnesses to the extent that  
5 defense counsel believes is necessary to assist in the defense of their client in this  
6 matter or that the Government believes is necessary in the investigation and  
7 prosecution of this matter.  
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10 4. Third parties contracted by the United States or counsel for Defendant  
11 to provide expert analysis or testimony may possess and inspect the sensitive  
12 information in the Discovery, but only as necessary to perform their case-related  
13 duties or responsibilities in this matter. At all times, third parties shall be subject to  
14 the terms of the Order.  
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17 5. Discovery in this matter will be available to defense counsel via access  
18 to a case file on USA File Exchange. Counsel for Defense may download Discovery  
19 from USA File Exchange and shall exercise reasonable care in ensuring the security  
20 and confidentiality of the Discovery by electronically storing the Discovery on a  
21 password-protected or encrypted storage medium, including a password-protected  
22 computer, or device. If Discovery is printed, Counsel must also exercise reasonable  
23 care in ensuring the security and confidentiality of the Discovery by storing copies  
24 in a secure place, such as a locked office, or otherwise secure facility where visitors  
25 are not left unescorted  
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1           6. All counsel of record in this matter, including counsel for the United  
2 States, shall ensure that any party, including the Defendant, that obtains access to  
3 the Discovery is advised of this Order and that all information must be held in strict  
4 confidence and that the recipient may not further disclose or disseminate the  
5 information. Any other party that obtains access to, or possession of, the Discovery  
6 containing discovery information once the other party no longer requires access to  
7 or possession of such Discovery shall promptly destroy or return the Discovery once  
8 access to Discovery is no longer necessary. No other party that obtains access to or  
9 possession of the Discovery containing sensitive information shall retain such access  
10 to or possession of the Discovery containing sensitive information unless authorized  
11 by this Order, nor further disseminate such Discovery except as authorized by this  
12 Order or the further Order of this court. For purposes of this Order, “other party” is  
13 any person other than appointed counsel for the United States or counsel for  
14 Defendant.

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19           7. All counsel of record, including counsel for the United States, shall  
20 keep a list of the identity of each person to whom the Discovery containing sensitive  
21 information is disclosed. Neither counsel for Defendant nor counsel for the United  
22 States shall be required to disclose this list of persons unless ordered to do so by the  
23 Court.

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26           8. Upon entry of a final order of the Court in this matter and conclusion  
27 of any direct appeals, government personnel and counsel for Defendant shall retrieve  
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1 and destroy all copies of the Discovery containing sensitive information, except that  
2 counsel and government personnel may maintain copies in their closed files  
3 following their customary procedures.  
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5 9. Government personnel and counsel for Defendant shall promptly report  
6 to the Court any known violations of this Order.  
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8 **IT IS SO ORDERED.** The District Court Clerk is hereby directed to enter  
9 this Order and provide copies to counsel.

10 **DATED** this 20th day of November 2024.  
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THOMAS O. RICE  
United States District Judge